




THE STATE OF TEXAS

GOVERNOR

 *To all to whom these presents shall come,
Greetings: Know ye that this official recognition is
presented to all observing:*

Maternal Health Awareness Day

January 23, 2021


Here in Texas, family is one of our most cherished values. It is unacceptable that maternal mortality and morbidity statistics remain at alarming levels for Texas mothers. Tragically, almost all of the pregnancy-related deaths studied by the Texas Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee and the Department of State Health Services and outlined in their Joint Biennial Review had some chance of preventability. In order to reduce the incidence of maternal death in Texas, we must more effectively address a woman's health risk before, during, and after her pregnancy.

Fortunately, in Texas, we know it is not our challenges that define us, but rather how we rise above them. A critical part of improving maternal health care and preventing maternal mortality and morbidity is increasing public awareness on these vital issues. That is why organizations, health care facilities, and individuals across Texas recognize Maternal Health Awareness Day as a time for all Texans to learn more about the importance of maternal health and advocate on behalf of all Texas mothers.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in wishing you the best.



*In testimony whereof, I have signed my name
and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be
affixed at the City of Austin, this the 8th day of
January, 2021.*



Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas